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SUBJ: FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR PORTUGAL

REFS: A. LISBON 4400. B. BONN 9540. C. PARIS 15422.
D. STATE 127729.

1. IN DELIVERING LATEST NOTES TO QUAI AND FINANCE
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MINISTRIES AS INSTRUCTED REF D, WE DETECTED OVERTONES
SUGGESTING THAT QUESTION OF FRENCH CONTRIBUTION MAY
STILL NOT BE ENTIRELY FORECLOSED.

2. THUS, DEBENEST, QUAI DESK OFFICER FOR PORTUGAL,
ASKED SERIES OF INSISTENT QUESTIONS ABOUT PROSPECTS
FOR CONTRIBUTIONS BY OTHER COUNTRIES AND SAID THAT,

WHILE FRENCH CONTRIBUTION STILL "VERY UNLIKELY,"
FINAL DECISION NOT YET TAKEN. SHE THEN ASKED FOR
ADDITIONAL ARGUMENTS SHE COULD USE. EMBOFF REVIEWED
ALL STANDARD ARGUMENTS, ADDING THAT IT WOULD BE PITY
IF FRANCE, AS PORTUGAL'S NEIGHBOR, WERE ONLY MAJOR
EUROPEAN STATE NOT TO MAKE AT LEAST A TOKEN CONTRIBU-
TION. EMBOFF THEN REITERATED HOPE FRENCH WOULD SEND
PARTICIPANTS, AND NOT MERELY OBSERVERS TO NEXT MEETING
AT THE IMF. FINOFF HAD SAME, IF LESS EXPLICIT
IMPRESSION AT FINANCE MINISTRY THAT ISSUE MAY STILL
NOT BE ENTIRELY SETTLED WITHIN GOF.

3. WE ASSUME THAT HIGHER-LEVEL INITIATIVES SUCH AS
UNDER SECRETARY SOLOMON'S CONTACTS HERE, SOARES' LETTER
TO GISCARD (REF A), AND POSSIBLE FRG PRESSURES (REF B),
MAY IN FACT HAVE PRECIPITATED SOME FURTHER REVIEW.
MOREOVER, AS REPORTED REFTEL C, GISCARD PERSONALLY MAY
STILL BE LESS OPPOSED TO MAKING A GESTURE TO PORTUGAL
THAN BARRE AND MINISTRIES. THIS WAS FURTHER CONFIRMED
BY PORTUGUESE AMBASSADOR'S CONVERSATION WITH ELYSEE
SECRETARY GENERAL FRANCOIS-PONCET TODAY, AT WHICH
FRANCOIS-PONCET WAS "VERY CORDIAL," MADE NO PROMISES,
BUT SAID GOF WAS PREPARED TO GIVE "FURTHER CONSIDERA-
TION" TO AID IDEA. EMBOFF LUNCHING WITH PORTUGUESE
AMBASSADOR JUNE 14 WHEN HE HAS PROMISED FULLER DEBRIEF-
ING.

4. IT MIGHT BE HELPFUL IN OUR FUTURE CONTACTS WITH
THE FRENCH IF WE COULD KNOW THE RESULTS OF ANY MEETINGS
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WHICH MAY HAVE OCCURRED ON THIS SUBJECT DURING THE
RECENT VISIT OF A NUMBER OF SENIOR U.S. ECONOMIC
OFFICIALS IN PARIS.

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